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CHILD LABOUR IN HONGKONG RECOMMENDATIONS BY THE COM- MITTEE OF INQUIRY

The Report of the Committee appointed to inquire into the conditions of the industrial employment of children in Hongkong and the desirability and feasibility of legislation for the regulation of such employment was, by command of H.E. the Governor, laid on the table of the Legislative Council yesterday. It is a voluminous report and we do not more than give the following lengthy excerpt:—

6.—As a result of the interviews with factory managers, and the visits to factories previously described, we are of opinion that legislation should be introduced to give effect to the following recommendations:—

(1) That all employers of children be compelled to register them. This recommendation is meant to apply not only to factories and workshops but when practicable to employers of casual labour.

(2) That no child under the age of eleven (11) (Chinese) years be employed in any factory, or in any form of casual labour, and that in any case arising under this legislation, the onus of proving the age of the child be upon the employer.

One of the Commissioners, the Rev. Mr. Wells, wishes the age to be thirteen (13) and not eleven (11) as above, and wishes the age of labour to be increased by one year every succeeding year, or as soon as possible, until child labour is entirely abolished.

This recommendation does not apply to children engaged in genuine domestic work, but it does apply to children employed in carrying paraphernalia in Chinese processions.

(3) That the hours of work for children do not exceed fifty-four (54) per week, that children be prohibited from working at any time more than five (5) hours consecutively, and that they be ensured one day's rest in every seven (7) days.

(4) That children be not employed between the hours of 7 p.m. and 4 a.m. No question of overtime or night shifts should be allowed to override this ruling laid down in sub-section (3).

We think that half time work should be encouraged and that children should be educated during the other half time if possible. Even if children have not been working during the day they should not be employed between the hours of 7 p.m. and 4 a.m. The intermittent sleep, which is the usual lot of workers on night shifts, is especially harmful to the physique of children.

One of the Commissioners, Mr. Chow Shou Son, is of the opinion that children over fourteen (14) should be permitted to work between the hours of 7 p.m. and 4 a.m. provided that they are not employed in glass factories.

(5) That for the reasons given in Section 5 (3) children be not employed in engineering works on the work of boiler chipping.

One of the Commissioners, Mr. Chow Shou Son, thinks that boys over fourteen (14) should be permitted to work at boiler chipping if their physical condition satisfies the Inspectors.

(6) That children be not employed in dangerous trades.

(7) That employers be compelled to provide accommodation, which can be used by workers during meal hours, and as a rest house for children taken to factories by their mothers; and further that they be compelled to provide suitable dressings and first aid appliances, which can be used in cases of accident, and to equip their factories with approved sanitary conveniences.

(8) That inspectors be appointed for all classes of child labour, as the regulations proposed are obviously dependent on a system of inspection. Our intention is to avoid introducing a series of factory regulations which will merely lead on the one hand to "squeeze," and on the other to Police Court prosecutions; and it is, therefore, essential that inspectors should be persons of standing. Unless knowledge, tact and sympathy are employed in the work of inspection, the system of regulation may degenerate into a number of irritating prosecutions that will do little good, and that will tend to the estrangement of the various sections of the community. We are convinced that the larger and more reputable factory owners will do their best to make effective any suggestions which the Government may make; and the efforts of the Inspectors should be directed to co-operating with them in making the regulations known in the lesser factories. Only by educative co-operation can the best results be obtained from these proposals.

We think that the ranks of the Inspectors should include Chinese representatives as well as British, women as well as men, and voluntary workers as well as Government servants. We do not propose to draw up the details of this organisation, as we are not sufficiently well informed of the work of the various Government Departments, and suggest therefore, that this is a matter with which the Government is more fitted to deal.

7.—We feel that an explanation is needed of the serious responsibility that we have taken upon ourselves in recommending for children, a scale of hours of labour considerably in excess of that of male adult workers in Europe. Our proposals are indeed a compromise between the present "laissez-faire" attitude, and the more drastic method of removing children immediately from the factories. Of these two extremes the former is unthinkable, and we are not prepared to recommend the latter without also recommending some extensive scheme of social reform.

As the data necessary for such a scheme could only be obtained after a searching enquiry into industrial conditions as a whole and into the financial resources of the Colony, a more moderate proposal of regulation appears to be preferable as a temporary measure. It will be pointed out that although the proposals reduce the working hours of children by periods varying from 25 per cent. to 40 per cent. on the old levels, yet as children are paid by piece rates they will suffer a corresponding reduction in wages. It will also be stated that the children themselves like the work, and that to reduce their hours of labour will cause unnecessary hardship in families dependent on their earnings. All these arguments can be paralleled from the history of the Factory Acts controversy in England in the forties of last century, and the reply is that the question is essentially moral and not only economic. A child is not a correct judge of its own affairs.

8.—The feasibility of compulsory education has been examined, but owing to the difference of opinion on the question it has not been found possible to come to any unanimous conclusion. A memorandum on compulsory education was submitted by the Rev. H. R. Wells and a meeting held on May 31st the Director of Education stated the difficulties of carrying out these suggestions—such as those of providing accommodation, of registering children, and of arranging for the staffing and inspection of the schools. These difficulties are real, but at the same time the opinion may be hazarded that they are inherent in every scheme of compulsory education, and that as they have been overcome in other countries, they could, if the community in Hongkong, Mr. Wells' memorandum and the statement of the Director of Education are printed in Appendix 2.

We do not agree with the frequently expressed opinion that an extension of educational facilities in Hongkong would be followed by a rush of people from the interior to take advantage of them. It is a common experience of countries that have adopted compulsory education that opposition may be expected from those for whose benefit the scheme is intended. There is no reason to suppose that the experience of Hongkong would be different, and on this ground the tendency would rather be towards an exodus of newcomers, and it would have the effect of stopping the immigration of child labourers which is very large.

One of the Commissioners Mr. Chow Shou Son, however, does not share this view, as evidenced by the attached extracts from a Memorandum by him which forms Appendix 4.

In view of the fact that many children must earn their living by manual labour, it is suggested that steps be taken to provide an education for them limited to their special needs.

Training in manual work in addition to at least a "primary education." The dignity of manual labour should be emphasized and the bearing of intellect on manual work explained.

In the course of time we hope that adult labour will replace that of children in factories, so that the Government should be asked either to undertake the necessary industrial training or to encourage private enterprise in this direction. Meanwhile schools for "half timers," such as those which have been successfully started in India, might be tried.

In Shanghai a Chinese lady has had good results with such methods. In her "Industrial Home" the children do four (4) hours manual work and four (4) hours study, while the remainder of the day is devoted to recreation.

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ground, or that it will provide the remedy needed; but we think that it will do good in causing contractors to realise their responsibilities to labour, in fostering co-operation between them and Inspectors, and in gathering information about a section of the community of whom little is known. As a scale of weights suitable for children over the age of thirteen (13) and below that of sixteen (16), it is suggested that twenty (20) catties is a suitable minimum, and that no load should exceed forty (40) catties. For purposes of comparison it may be added that one small brick is roughly equivalent to 2½ catties, so that the number of bricks that a child may carry should vary from eight to sixteen (8 to 16). Between these limits the load would be adjusted to the age and physical fitness of the child. It is most desirable that this standard should not be interpreted too literally. The figures are not in any sense final, and are only meant to afford a rough indication of the carrying capacity of children of different ages. What must at all costs be avoided is the harrying of labourers by petty officials. These suggestions can only result in good if Inspectors and contractors work in close co-operation. In this connection we are greatly indebted to Mr. Li Ping, the result of whose investigations is to be found in Appendix 3 (A).

11.—In brief our recommendations are as follows:—

(1) That all employers of children be compelled to register them, and that for this purpose a child be considered as a person below the age of sixteen (16) years (Chinese), and that when possible this should be applied to employers of casual labour.

(2) That no child under the age of eleven (11) be employed in any factory, nor should any child under thirteen (13) be employed in any form of casual labour, and that the onus of proving the age of a child be on the employer. One of the Commissioners, Rev. Mr. Wells is not in entire agreement, (vide Section 6 (2)).

(3) That the hours of work for children do not exceed fifty-four (54) per week; that children do not at any time work more than five (5) hours consecutively; that they be ensured one day's rest in every seven (7) days; and that where and when possible some form of half time labour be encouraged.

(4) That children be not employed during the hours between 7 p.m. and 4 a.m. One of the Commissioners Mr. Chow Shou Son is not in entire agreement, (vide Section 6 (4)).

(5) That children be not employed in glass factories.

(6) That children be not employed in the work of boiler chipping. One of the Commissioners Mr. Chow Shou Son is not in entire agreement, (vide Section 6 (6)).

(7) That children be not employed in dangerous trades.

(8) The employers be compelled to provide rest rooms and suitable sanitary facilities, and to make provision for medical aid in case of accidents.

(9) That inspectors be appointed for all classes of child labour.

(10) That in building and engineering contracts articles be inserted, regulating the weights to be carried by children.

We do not intend that the above series of recommendations be regarded as hard and fast rules which admit of no deviation. They represent no more than a beginning, of which the ultimate object must be the entire removal of children from factories. The speed with which this object is accomplished will depend upon the spirit in which factory legislation, if approved, is administered.

The Report is signed by the Hon. Mr. S. B. C. Ross, Mr. Chow Shou Son, Mr. Li Ping, Dr. C. W. McKenny, Miss A. M. Pitts, and the Rev. H. R. Wells.

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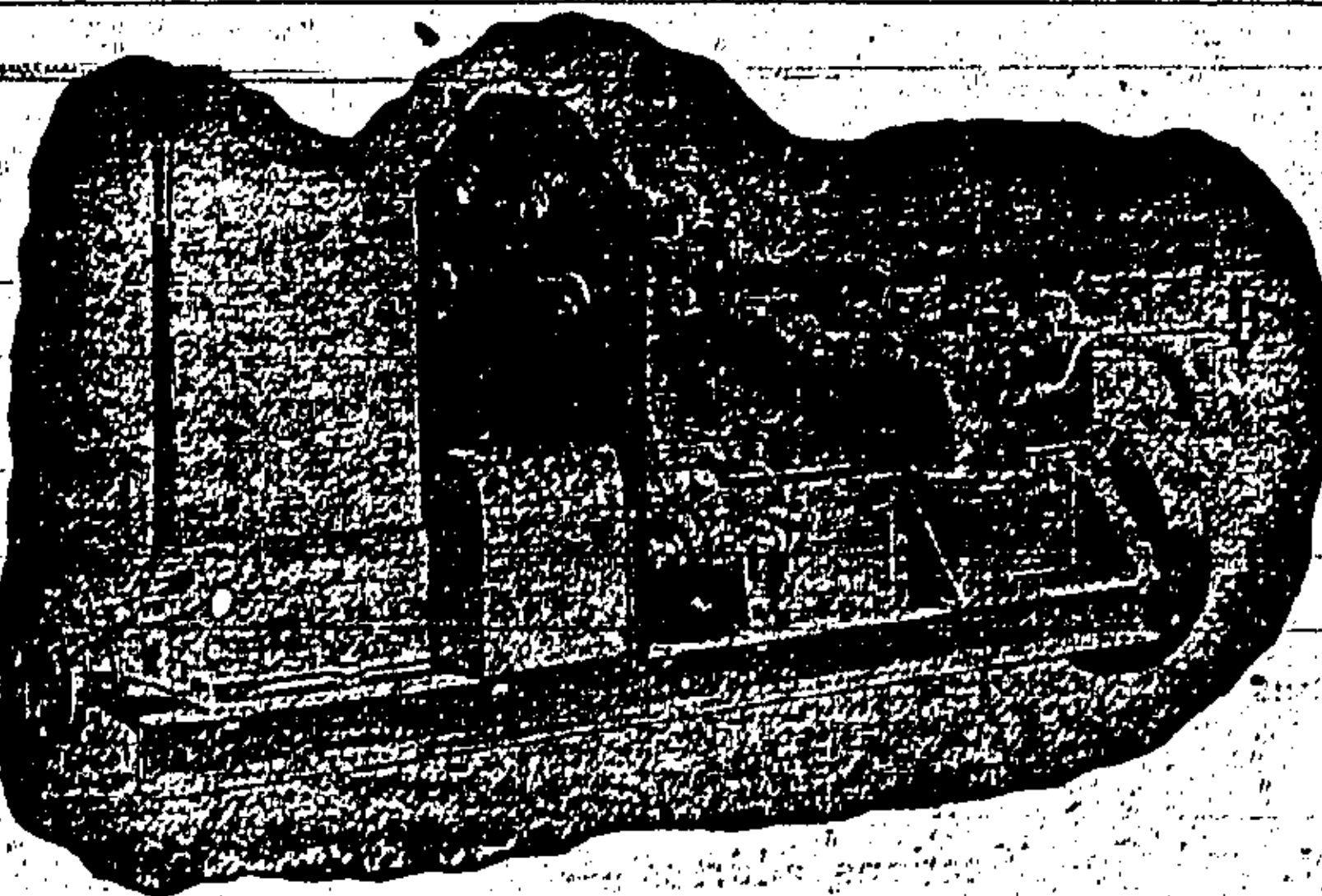
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A meeting of the Legislative Council was held in the Council Chamber, yesterday. There were present:—

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR (Sir REGINALD EDWARD STUBBS, K.C.M.G.)
HIS EXCELLENCY THE OFFICER COMMANDING THE TROOPS (Lieut.-General Sir GEORGE M. KIRKPATRICK, K.C.B., K.C.S.I.)
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THE BUDGET.

REVIEW BY H.E. THE GOVERNOR.

The COLONIAL SECRETARY moved the first reading of a Bill intituled an Ordinance to apply a sum not exceeding sixteen million four hundred and fifty thousand one hundred and thirty-one dollars to the Public Service of the year 1922.

EXPENDITURE.	
Governor	51,084
Cadet Service	295,171
Colonial Secretary's Department	69,778
Colonial Secretary's Special Expenditure	1,128
Secretariat for Chinese Affairs	20,800
Audit Department	53,730
Treasury	71,540
Harbour Master's Department	272,154
Special Expenditure	22,880
Imports and Exports Department	711,778
Royal Observatory	34,141
Royal Observatory, Special Expenditure	1,050
Miscellaneous Services	517,448
Judicial and Legal Departments	291,673
Police, Special Expenditure	1,456,785
Fire Brigade	64,675
Fire Brigade, Special Expenditure	115,627
Prison	87,000
Prison, Special Expenditure	315,659
Medical Department	30,900
Medical Department, Special Expenditure	359,324
Sanitary Department	12,550
Sanitary Department, Special Expenditure	578,040
Botanical and Forestry Department	61,530
Education	73,967
Education, Special Expenditure	731,381
Volunteer Defence Corps	122,935
Public Works Department	32,794
Public Works Department, Special Expenditure	800,530
Public Works, Recurrent	1,350
Public Works, Extraordinary	689,550
Post Office	6,611,300
Kowloon-Canton Railway	381,425
Kowloon-Canton Railway, Special Expenditure	530,421
Pensions	265,345
Charitable Services	383,111
Total	16,450,131

H.E. THE GOVERNOR said:—Honourable Members of the Legislative Council.

In submitting for your consideration the Estimates of Revenue and Expenditure for the year 1922, I feel that you will concur with me in regarding our financial position as quite satisfactory.

The year 1920 finished with a balance of revenue over expenditure of \$200,078.41 and a balance of assets over liabilities of \$4,490,266.31.

It is now estimated that the revenue for the current year will amount to \$16,500,919 or \$1,534,169 more than the original estimate. This change is due to the large sums realised recently by the balance-a-prospectus deficit in the estimated revenue from the sale of opium, and in the estimated revenue from stamp duties owing to the Ordinance increasing the duties not having been passed until May.

The expenditure for the current year is now estimated at \$16,111,990 or \$1,237,160 less than the original estimate. Owing to various causes it was impossible to begin general of the larger public works until the year was well advanced with the result that the sum that will probably be expended is \$3,307,500 instead of \$4,967,400.

The estimated balance of Assets over Liabilities at the end of this year is now estimated at \$4,968,705.

For next year the Revenue is estimated to amount to \$17,278,280. The principal increases over the estimated revenue for this year are as follows:—

Assessed taxes	\$ 159,800
Liquor duties	278,400
Stamp duties	100,000
Tobacco duties	444,500
Postage	35,000
Railway-net	77,500
Rents-net	52,400
Interest	40,000
Conservancy Contracts	48,100
Land sales	1,334,000

The last item includes the balance of the large sum realised by the recent sale of the site of the old Post Office and Supreme Court, which is not due till early next year. Stamp duties are fully realising our expectations while the amount collected for Tobacco duties is now actually more than the revenue from opium before the commencement of the Monopoly.

Passing now to the principal decreases in the revenue, the figures for the opium Monopoly have been further reduced by \$500,000, and again I would remark that though unfortunate from a financial aspect, this decrease is gratifying from a wider point of view. Other large decreases are:

China Companies' Fees	\$56,270
Engagement and Discharge of Seamen	20,500
Sunday Cargo Working Permits	25,000

The expenditure for next year is estimated to amount to \$20,207,980, being \$2,858,830 more than the original estimate, and \$4,095,000 more than the revised estimate for the current year. The increase and decreases under each department are set out in the seasonal paper which has been laid on the table. In order to make Revenue and Expenditure balance it will be necessary to draw upon our balance to the extent of \$2,831,730 if the large sums provided for Public Works Extraordinary are expended.

It will be observed that the amount required for personal emoluments is considerably larger than before. This is due both to increases of salaries in several departments, and to all sterling salaries being reckoned at twelve dollars to the pound under the sliding scale authorised last year. There will be savings on all sterling salaries so long as the exchange value of the dollar is above 2s. 6d.

The COLONIAL TREASURER seconded the resolution was agreed to.

CHILD LABOUR AND BOYS IN PRISON.

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1.—When will the Report of the Committee on Child Labour be published?

2.—Will the Government lay upon the table of the Legislative Council a return, showing the number of boys, under the age of 18, who have been sent to prison, for each quarter since the 1st January, 1920?

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TARIFFS.

The staff at the Treasury has been slightly increased to cope with the additional work, and there is a considerable increase in the clerical salaries owing to the revision.

HARBOUR MASTER'S DEPARTMENT.

In the Harbour Master's Department, a few additional posts have been found necessary, and it is anticipated that the revenue will be increased thereby. In this department, the votes under other charges for coal repairs and stores for launches have been increased by the transfer to the vote of amounts previously paid by the Medical and Prison Departments in connection with their launches. The Harbour Department will for the future take charge of the running of these launches, and it is expected that greater efficiency will result. Provision has further been made under special expenditure for the purchase of new launch for the Department to replace "H.D.3" and for making certain changes in the lights at Green Island, Gap Rock and Waglan.

IMPORTS AND EXPORTS OFFICE.

In the Imports and Exports Department provision has been made for additional staff, including four additional Revenue Officers and ten Chinese Revenue Officers. The steam launch attached to this Department is, by an exchange with the Police Department, being replaced by a motor launch, which will cost the Department less to run. Purchase of Raw Opium is estimated at \$150,000 less than in 1921. Under other charges a sum of \$4,0

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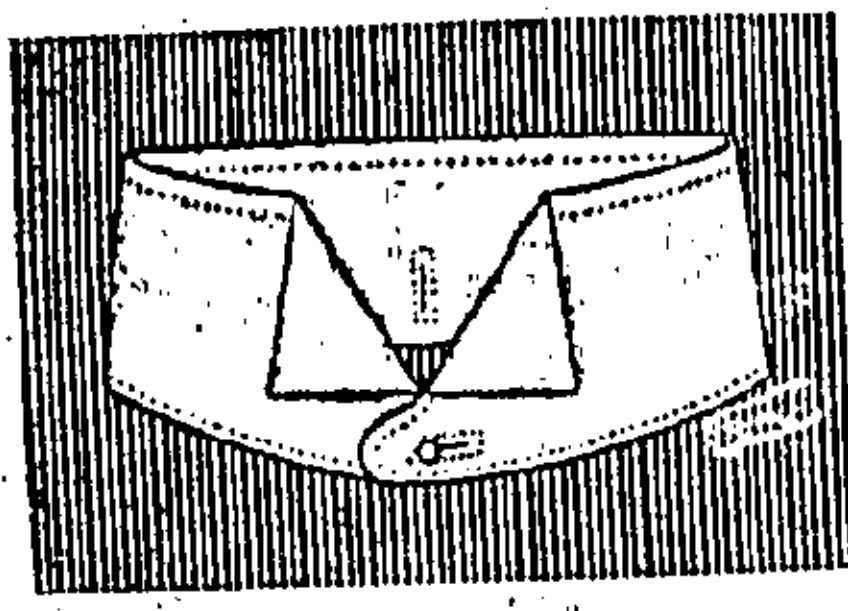
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BOTANICAL AND FORESTRY DEPARTMENT.

Under the Botanical and Forestry Department a new post of Supervisor has been created for work in connection with plantations in remote districts. The vote for Brushwood clearing has been increased by \$2,500 to make provision for the clearing of larger areas adjoining houses and roads in connection with the campaign against mosquitoes organised by the Sanitary Board. This work has necessitated various small increases in the staff of the Department also.

EDUCATION DEPARTMENT.

In the Education Department, an increase of \$92,337 is provided for subsidies to Vernacular Schools. This is in some degree compensated for by a reduction of \$19,687 in the item "Capitation Grants." It is hoped by means of these subsidies to extend educational facilities to a large proportion of the poorer classes.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

In the department of Public Works a very large increase of expenditure is shown under the head of "Personal Emoluments." After careful consideration the Secretary of State has sanctioned the system of continual increments for all engineers to date from the 1st January, 1921. The two assistants of the Director of Public Works have been granted salaries of \$1,000 rising by increments of \$20 a year to \$1,150. Engineers begin on a salary of \$460 rising by increments of \$20 a year to \$700, and by increments of \$25 a year to \$950, while officers in executive charge of Sub-Departments draw a charge allowance of \$100 a year. There are strict efficiency bars at \$600 and at \$700.

I feel sure that this recognition of the excellent work done by officers of the Public Works Department will be gratifying not only to honourable members, but to those outside this Council who are daily brought in contact with the results of their labours. The staff of Engineers has been increased in order to cope with the many important works in hand and contemplated, and I think it will be conceded, when we come to consider the Public Works Extraordinary programme for next year, that the increase is fully justified. Two items of expenditure of \$12,000 and \$10,000 have been inserted under other charges in connection with the Government Quarry for upkeep of Quarry Plant and Quarry Stores. The increase in the amount provided for "Public Works Recurrent" is small, but I hope will be found sufficient.

Under the heading "Roads" the estimate for the present year of \$1,043,900. The vote for this year was far larger than any vote for Public Works in previous years, so that honourable members will be able to gauge the extent to which the rapid development of the Colony is making it necessary to spend sums on roads, buildings, reclamations and water works that were undreamt of a few years ago. Many works that are desirable, though not very urgent, have had to be dropped for the present. I would mention in particular the tramway to Wanchai Gap, a work which may have to be proceeded with before long as the construction of houses on the new road in the vicinity of Wanchai Gap and on Mount Cameron proceeds.

It is recognised that useful in many ways as the road to the Hill District will be, cheap and rapid transit at regular intervals is necessary to a central point. As, however, no definite plans have been prepared for this work, and the method of working the tramway has not been decided on, it is unnecessary to increase the vote for Public Works by a sum that will probably not be spent. The greater portion of the whole sum to be voted is absorbed by works already in progress, and I need only refer to works for which provision is now made for the first time. In Hongkong, under the heading "Buildings" Item 3 has been increased to provide for six more houses on Leighton Hill in two blocks of three each. Item 4 has been increased to provide more accommodation than was originally intended. Item 10 provides a sum for beginning the new buildings for Saiyungpun School on a site on Bonham Road, which will probably be acquired during next year. Item 11 is for a small bungalow in the grounds of Government House to supplement the inadequate bedroom accommodation of the House. I referred to this matter in speaking in the Estimates last year. Item 12 is the first expenditure under a scheme for removing Queen's College from its present site to a much larger site on Caroline Hill. The Committee appointed last year reported favourably on the present buildings, and the development during the last few years of a taste for field games among the Chinese has rendered it essential that any site to which the principal Government School is to be transferred shall not only be easily accessible, but shall have ample grounds for recreation of every kind. These conditions are fulfilled by the site chosen and as soon as plans for the new school are approved an estimate of the cost will be placed before Honourable Members. I may point out that the amount which will be realised by the sale of such portion of the present site of Queen's College as may be available after the areas have been laid out to suit city developments will go far to pay for the new College.

Item 15 is for a small market in the neighbourhood of Causeway Bay, and Item 16 is for an underground miniature rifle range at the side of the Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps parade ground, which will be most useful for training during the winter.

Under "Communications" the first five items are for works already in progress, and it is expected that all except the first item will prove remunerative undertakings. I may mention that one piece of land opened up by the new road to the Peak sold a few days ago for \$80,000, which is exactly the estimated cost of completing the road to Victoria Gap.

Item (g) provides a sum for beginning the 100-foot road from Causeway Bay to North Point, but it is probable that the large amount of filling required for reclaiming the sites recently sold at North Point will be obtained to some extent from the route of this road and the heavy cost of making it will thus be reduced.

Item (h) is for very necessary widening of the road at Shaukiwan. Item (i) is a 10 foot road at a level of about 800 feet which will join the Peak Road at a rather lower level and eventually connect with the road to be begun under Item (m). It is expected that these roads will open up good building sites.

Item (j) provides for widening and improving curves on Victoria Road. Item (k). This road will have the effect of opening Conduit Road to wheeled traffic.

Item (l) is really a new work as none of the money voted for this year has been spent. It is proposed to begin a road from Wanchai Gap along the south side of Mount Cameron where building sites are being applied for.

Item (a) is required for a road to give access to sites already sold on Victoria Road.

Item (p) is for a road in front of building sites on the side of the ridge in the Happy Valley.

Item (q) provides for making the road-way in Queen's Road East as resumptions become possible.

Item (s) is required in accordance with covenants entered into to connect the houses on Broadwood Road with the road from Morrison Gap to Wanchai and Wong-ni-chong Gaps.

Item (t) provides for much needed improvements in the alignment of the roads mentioned.

Item (v) is for raising and paving the Praya at Kennedy Town where it has sunk below the proper level.

Under "Drainage" provision is made for completing the sewer from Wanchai Gap to the sea near Aberdeen and for drainage on the road to Wanchai Gap and at Repulse Bay. The last named work will be paid for by lessees of land.

Under Miscellaneous Works, Item 25 is for the construction of the new Queen's Statue wharf. Item 26 for enlargement of the Government depot at Tsat Tsi-mei where all the work in connection with reinforced concrete piles, piling, abutments and roadways is done.

Large sums are provided under the heading "Waterworks" for development to meet the increased consumption of water which has taxed the existing means of distribution severely during the summer months. I would take this opportunity of remarking that a careful examination of all possible catchment areas in the island shows that we are approaching the limit of our water supply and that in the not distant future it may be necessary to tap new areas.

Under Item 56 provision is made for the work in connection with the Praya East Reclamation Scheme which will be necessary during the year.

In Kowloon large sums are provided for work on the hospital and police stations at Yau-mat and Mongkok. Item 60 provides for a cattle and swine depot at Yau-mat, the necessity for which has been urged by the Sanitary Board. Under Item 61 provision has been made for beginning the construction of quarters for the scavenging staff. The extension of the Fire Station (Item 62) is for the accommodation of the firemen for whom there is no room in the Police Station. Item 63 provides for an underground chamber at the Royal Observatory for the Seismograph and other delicate instruments. The remaining items for buildings require no special comment.

Under the heading "roads" the principal work of construction is the 100 foot road from Sham Shui-po to Kowloon City, with the nullah to carry the large stream from the east side of the railway. Provision is made for this under items 74 (a) and 75 (a). It is also proposed to spend a sum of \$100,000 in improving the surface of the existing main roads.

Under the heading "waterworks" provision is made for improving the distribution of water in Kowloon.

As regards the New Territories, under which heading New Kowloon is included, it is hoped to make a start with the goal at Ngau Shi-wan and to build a Police Station at Shatin, a new Public Works Bungalow at Tai-po chiefly for the use of surveyors, and other buildings as set out in Items 84, 85 and 87. I would mention specially Item 82 which provides for reconstructing three of the sheds at Lai Chi Kok at present used as a goal, as it is considered that the present sheds would be unsafe in a typhoon. The Diaphone Fog Signalling Installation at Waglan Island, on the Canadian model should prove of great value to shipping.

Under "roads" the principal work is the continuation of the surfacing of the main road from Lai Chi Kok to Castle Peak and Tai-po.

Item 102 and 103 (a) and (b) described as the Kowloon, Tong Described Scheme relate to a large housing scheme, which has been under consideration for some time. It has been decided that the best method of carrying the scheme into effect is for the Government to do the work of leveling and draining the area and to sell the land to a company, which under certain restrictions will arrange for the building of houses. The road provided for under item 101 (f) will give access to the area from Kowloon.

Under Item 104 a sum of \$200,000 is provided for continuing the reclamation at Sham Shui-po.

The refuse dump referred to under Item 107 is an alternative method of disposing of refuse to that of dumping at sea, which has certain disadvantages. The dump will eventually when consolidated form a valuable reclamation.

Under "Waterworks" provision is made for two small schemes at Tai-po and Fanling both of which should prove remunerative.

POST OFFICE.

Under Post Office provision has been made for the re-organisation of the staff of the Cape d'Aguilar Wireless Station on transfer from the Naval Authorities to the Colonial Government. Increased work in connection with the provision of Wireless Telegraph on ships and the issue of licences for Wireless Telegraph necessitates a larger staff.

KOWLOON-CANTON RAILWAY.

In the Kowloon-Canton Railway, an anticipated increase in the Traffic has entailed increased estimates for items such as coal and oil, which is partly counter-balanced by a reduction in repairs and renewals, sleepers, etc. The programme of Special Expenditure in this Department is heavy, but has been reduced to its minimum. The chief items are improvements at Kowloon Station, an extension to a carriage shed at Hung Hom, new sidings and station at Hung Hom and a sum of \$30,000 for "Spurs for Locomotives," all of which are considered necessary.

THE GENERAL FINANCIAL POSITION.

May 1, in conclusion, revert to the general financial position as indicated by these Estimates. The proposal to deplete our balances by a sum not far short of three million dollars may seem to require some defence, but I submit that it is in accordance with sound policy. The estimated excess of expenditure over revenue is due solely to the very large programme of public works for which provision has been made. Judging from the experience of the past, I think it is unlikely that we shall be able to spend during the year the whole amount of \$6,611,200 which appears on the Estimates. It is always the case that some works cannot be begun till late in the year; that circumstances prevent as much work being done on others as was hoped when the Estimates were framed and that others still have to be postponed owing to unexpected difficulties and delays. It is impossible to forecast what works may or may not fall under one of these categories and the best course that we can take is to make provision for the maximum programme which we could hope to carry out if all circumstances were favourable. It is, therefore, more than probable that the balances will not have to be drawn on to the extent which the Estimates appear to indicate and I think also that there is some reason to hope that we have taken a conservative view of the revenue which will be received.

Even, however, if the balances are reduced to the full extent suggested, I consider that the result may be regarded not only without alarm but with satisfaction for this reason—that by far the greater part of the expenditure on Public Works Extraordinary is for undertakings which, apart from the general benefits which they will confer on the community, will actually prove remunerative in the near future. The amount spent on these works is, therefore, not so much expenditure in the ordinary sense as a charge of investments. We are moving our money from one form of security to another transferring our capital from the scrip of loans into land and buildings. Take for instance, the votes amounting to practically half a million dollars for the Praya East Reclamation. This money will come back to us and will bring a handsome profit with it as soon as the reclamation is completed and might indeed be regarded for accounting purposes rather as an advance than as actual expenditure.

Then again the expenditure on roads is in practically every case repaid sooner or later by the sale of the building sites which they open up. This expenditure enables us to sell at good prices land which until the roads were constructed was almost valueless, so that much of our capital returns to us in this form while the increased receipts from Crown Rents and assessed taxes provide us with a permanent addition to our income. Some of the expenditure on roads is recouped almost at once—I need only refer to the recent sale of land on the new Peak Road, which I have already mentioned.

In other cases, we may have to wait a little longer as the sales of land will not begin until the development which the roads are intended to assist catches up with the work. Some roads are in the nature of lock-up investments which will certainly bring in good interest in the future though the exact date when they will begin to do so depends upon circumstances. It is I submit essential to take a long view of the future position especially in the Kowloon Peninsula, and our plans are laid with this object. Wide roads, good drainage, an adequate water supply and cheap and efficient means of transport are some of the ends in view. It is only by providing such facilities that the housing problem can be solved, and with the return of general trade prosperity our best efforts will be required to keep pace with the needs of a rapidly growing population.

Having regard to these considerations I submit that, as I said last year and the year before, the policy of devoting our balances to works of development up to the fullest extent which the resources of the Public Works Department enable us to undertake is the best which it is possible to adopt in the interests of the Colony, and I have, therefore, no hesitation in commending these Estimates to your approval. (Applause.)

The first reading of the Bill was agreed to.

WIDOWS' AND ORPHANS' PENSION ORDINANCES.

The ATTORNEY-GENERAL: I beg to move the first reading of a Bill intituled an Ordinance to amend the Widows' and Orphans' Pensions Ordinances, 1908 and 1921. The object of this Bill is to include within the scheme of the Widows' and Orphans' Pension Fund, throughout the whole of their service, certain officers who, under the present scheme, only come under the obligation to contribute to the Fund at a later stage in their service. The reason is that it is the contributions during bachelorhood which count most in the calculations of pensions payable to widows and orphans, and it is proposed to bring these particular officers under the scheme of the Fund in order to ensure that pensions which may become payable to their widows and orphans may be as much as possible.

The persons who at present come under the scheme of the Fund are: (1) all persons in the permanent employment of the Government, and (2) European police officers of the rank of Sergeant or any higher rank, or any other European members of the police force whose marriage is approved by the Captain Superintendent of Police. The Bill proposes to extend the scheme of the Fund to those European officers who at present are outside it and to other servants of the Government who are not members of the Police Force but are appointed for agreements for terms of years exceeding two years. There are two classes of these officers: first of all, officers appointed on what I may call probationary agreements, generally for three years, many of whom come at the end of three years on the permanent staff. It seems desirable that they should contribute to the Widows' and Orphans' Pension Fund from the beginning of their service from the time of their probationary agreement. The other class of officers who will now come under the scheme of the Fund are certain officers who are appointed throughout the whole of their service for successive terms of five years. But for the fact that their agreements are for five years at a time they are, for all practical purposes, on the permanent staff. The Bill will not apply to officers appointed or reappointed after the Ordinance comes into force, but an option is given to officers at present in Government service, who would have come under the scheme had they been appointed after the commencement of the Ordinance, to come into the Fund. They are given a certain time to declare their election. The Bill puts that down as a period of one month after return from leave to those who are on leave at the commencement of the Ordinance, and one month after the commencement of the Ordinance in the case of officers not on leave. It is proposed to alter the period to three months in each case. Power is given to the Governor in Council to exclude from the operation of the Widows' and Orphans' Pensions Ordinance any officers who are appointed to work of a special or temporary character.

I beg to move the first reading. The COLONIAL SECRETARY: I beg to second. The Bill passed the first reading.

LEGAL PRACTITIONERS ORDINANCE.

The ATTORNEY-GENERAL: I beg to move the first reading of a Bill intituled an Ordinance to amend further the Legal Practitioners Ordinance, 1871. This Bill proposes to make certain alterations in the law relating to the preliminary and final examinations which have to be passed by solicitors' clerks who are practising here. It also slightly alters the sanctions provided for acting without qualification as barrister or solicitor. Clause 2 deals with the preliminary examination. I should explain that all clerks articles here must pass, before they are articles, a certain examination called a preliminary examination unless they have already passed some examination which is to be taken as a substitute for that examination or received a special exemption from the Chief Justice. Clause 3 proposes to make the Hongkong University Matriculation Examination one of the examinations which is to be a ground for exemption from the preliminary examination. Most of the Matriculation examinations in England are grounds of exemption there, and I understand, the standard of the Hongkong University Matriculation is as high as in England and there seems no reason why the Matriculation examination should not be a ground of exemption here. The clause also provides that any examination that would in England be a ground for exemption from the preliminary examination there shall be a ground for exemption from the preliminary examination here, and a ground for exemption without the need for any special order by the Chief Justice. At present the order is necessary. Clause 3 deals with the solicitors' final examination. Paragraph (a) of that section corrects an obvious drafting error in the Ordinance of 1871. Paragraph (b) of clause 3 provides that the fee to be paid to examiners for final examination may be fixed by regulation by the Governor in Council. At present these fees have to be fixed after each new examination. It also provides that the fees payable to examiners are to be paid by the candidate or candidates. The intention is to fix the fee at \$100 for each of the three examiners. Clause 4 provides new sanctions for the offence of acting as a barrister or solicitor without qualification. The present sanction is a penalty of \$200 which has to be recovered in civil action against the offending party. The clause proposes to make that sanction a fine of \$1,000 recoverable on summary conviction before a Magistrate. I beg to move the first reading.

The COLONIAL SECRETARY seconded, and the Bill passed the first reading.

AMENDMENT OF RENTS
ORDINANCE.

The ATTORNEY-GENERAL: The object of this Bill is to make a number of amendments in the Ordinance which were passed earlier in the year. Some of them are aimed at preventing evasions of the law by certain classes of landlords, who, I hope, are in the minority—who seem to be determined to evade the provisions of the principal Ordinance if they possibly can. Clauses 2 and 7 deal with paragraph (f) of sub-section 1 of section 4 of the principal Ordinance which provides that a landlord may give notice to quit to his tenant, and may recover possession if he intends *bona fide* to pull down the premises or reconstruct them to such an extent as to make them technically a new building. It appears that certain landlords have been trying to read this Section in a manner which is not *bona fide*; in other words they have been giving, or contemplating giving notice to quit when they have had no real intention at all of reconstructing or pulling down, but to do nothing at all to the building if only the tenant will agree to pay increased rent. Clause 7 provides that in notice given under that paragraph of the principal Ordinance shall be valid unless given or confirmed by leave of the Court. A landlord intending to give such notice must show the Court grounds for believing that the notice given is *bona fide*, and on the application to the Court to give notice the tenant, of course, will have the opportunity of being heard.

The clause applies also to notices already given before the commencement of the Ordinance; they will not be valid unless confirmed by the Court on application made on the same grounds as application for leave to give notice.

Clause 2 is another attempt to strengthen that paragraph in the interests of the tenant. It provides that if the landlord gives notice, he must state in writing whether he intends to pull down the premises or reconstruct them, and if he intends to reconstruct them he must state the exact nature of the reconstruction intended. It is hoped that tying down the landlord to a specific writing of his intentions will be some additional safeguard to the tenants.

Clause 3 makes a slight technical amendment.

Clause 4 deals with the transfer of an action from the Summary Jurisdiction of the Supreme Court to the Original Jurisdiction. Under the principal Ordinance all actions under that Ordinance have to be tried in Summary Jurisdiction, the object, of course, being to ensure a speedy hearing and to reduce costs. It sometimes may happen, however, that two actions may be pending at the same time in the two divisions of the Supreme Court, one in the Summary Jurisdiction brought under the Rents Ordinance, and one in the Original Jurisdiction which must be tried in that Jurisdiction because of the amount involved. These two actions may refer to the same premises and raise the same facts, and it may be very inconvenient to have two actions brought separately in different courts. At present there is no power to transfer a Summary action to Original Jurisdiction to enable the two cases to be consolidated and tried together. This clause will give this power.

Clause 5 is one of the clauses aiming at evasion. It appears that certain landlords are in the habit of issuing distress warrants for rent in excess of the rent recoverable under the Ordinance—that is, rent in excess of the standard rent—no doubt relying on the tenant being too ignorant or too poor to take proper proceedings to question the legality of the distress. The clause proposes to make it an offence to issue such distress warrants and proposes to give the Magistrate on the summons being heard power not only to fine the offending landlord, but also to order him to pay back to the tenant any rent in excess recovered by means of the illegal distress; also damages not exceeding \$250. This clause also applies to cases where a landlord demands or extracts rent in excess of the standard rent under threat of issuing such illegal distress warrant.

Clause 6 is another clause aimed at evasion. It provides that it shall be a criminal offence punishable by a fine of \$1,000 for any person to do any act which *bona fide* tends to induce a lessee to give up possession. That has been inserted because certain landlords have gone so far as to remove windows in wet weather, and even staircases, to drive the tenants out.

Clauses 8, 9 and 10 are partly declaratory and partly intended as amplifying and pursuing the policy of the principal Ordinance. Clause 8 provides that notice to quit given by a lessee shall not affect the right of any sub-lessee to remain on in his own part of the house, unless he joins in or confirms the notice to quit. That was believed to be simply declaratory when the Bill was drafted, and that is now confirmed by the Court. It has been held in a recent case that the law as stated in this clause is, in fact, the existing law, but to make the matter perfectly clear I think it will be better to insert this clause in the Bill.

Clause 9 provides that an agreement or order against a lessee is not to affect the right of any sub-lessee to remain on in his part of the premises. That is taken from the English Act.

Clause 10 provides that where the interest of the lessee of a domestic tenement is determined in any way whatsoever, in other words, when the lessee goes out, any sub-tenant who holds from him will become the tenant of the landlord from whom the lessee holds on the same terms as the original lessee, but, of course, at the standard rent. Since this Bill was drafted one or two other points have been raised which it might be best to deal with in this Bill, and I propose after the first reading to move that the Bill be referred to the Standing Law Committee.

The COLONIAL SECRETARY seconded, and the Bill was read a first time.

The ATTORNEY-GENERAL then moved that the Bill be referred to the Standing Law Committee.

The COLONIAL SECRETARY seconded, and the motion was agreed to.

MERCANTILE BANK NOTE ISSUE.

Hon. Mr. POLLOCK: I beg to move the first reading of a Bill intituled an Ordinance to extend for a further period the powers granted by the Mercantile Bank Note Issue Ordinance, 1911, to the Mercantile Bank of India, Ltd., to make, issue, re-issue and circulate notes in the Colony. As hon. members will see from the statement of Objects and Reasons attached to this Bill, the present power of the Bank to make, issue, re-issue and circulate notes in the Colony, which was granted by Ordinance in the year 1911, will expire in the normal course on the 28th December of this year. It is proposed by clause 2 of the Bill to extend that period of expiry till the 13th August, 1922, after which date the Bank will cease to issue or re-issue notes but shall redeem any notes which it shall have previously issued or re-issued.

Hon. Mr. Ho Fook seconded, and the Bill passed the first reading.

ST. JOSEPH'S COLLEGE.

Hon. Mr. POLLOCK: I beg to move the first reading of a Bill intituled an Ordinance for the incorporation of the Christian Brothers School, known in French as "L'Institut des Freres des Ecoles Chretiennes" and known in Hongkong as St. Joseph's College. As hon. members will see from the statement of Objects and Reasons attached to this Bill, certain property belonging to this Colony is now vested in an individual who is absent from the Colony and who does not intend to return. That, Sir, is a very inconvenient matter for the College and the object of this Bill is to incorporate St. Joseph's College so that the property that is acquired for this purpose may be vested in it.

Hon. Mr. BIRD seconded, and the Bill was read a first time.

PUBLIC HEALTH AND BUILDINGS
(AMENDMENT) ORDINANCE.

The ATTORNEY-GENERAL: I beg to move the second reading of the Bill intituled an Ordinance to amend further the Public Health and Buildings Ordinance, 1903, to be discharged. So many amendments have been proposed to this Bill that it is with a fresh draft to be read a first time at a later sitting of the Council.

The COLONIAL SECRETARY seconded, and the Bill was discharged.

THE ADJOURNMENT.

HIS EXCELLENCY: I would suggest that we meet this day week in order to dispose of the minor items on the paper, leaving the subsequent meeting clear for the Supply Bill, if that meets with the approval of members.

No member dissenting. His EXCELLENCY said: The Council will adjourn until this day week at 2.30 p.m.

FINANCE COMMITTEE.

A meeting of the Finance Committee followed, the COLONIAL SECRETARY presiding.

H.E. THE GOVERNOR recommended the Council to vote the sums set out below:—

RAILWAY WAGONS.

\$21,213, on account of Kowloon-Canton Railway Special Expenditure, Wagons.

The CHAIRMAN said: No provision was made in the estimates for the current year in respect of the wagons, as it was expected that they would be paid for in 1920. The final accounts were only received recently and the sum asked for is the equivalent in dollars of the balance due.

Approved.

THE GOVERNOR'S INCIDENTAL EXPENSES.

\$1,000, in aid of the vote Governor, Other Charges, Incidental Expenses.

The CHAIRMAN: The expenditure was cut down from \$2,000 to \$1,000, and proved insufficient. The sum of \$2,000 is provided for next year.

Approved.

PATH AT HUNGHOM.

\$2,500, on account of Public Works, Extraordinary, Kowloon, Communications, Roads, Path 10 feet wide to the North of Hunghom Inland Lot No. 257.

The CHAIRMAN: In connection with the recent extension granted to the Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co., the Company, under one of the lease conditions, has to form half of the 60 foot road. In order to facilitate the Company's operations in removing the soil from a large portion of the road, it is necessary that an outlet should be provided over Crown land. This track is to be made of sufficient width to allow for a double line of trucks. The tender for making this track is \$2,100 and \$2,500 is asked for to cover all possible contingencies. I may say that the road tender of the Dock Company is considered a very reasonable one.

The Hon. Mr. BIRD: Is the Dock Company going to make use of the road as well?

The CHAIRMAN: Just for getting out the material; it is their stuff.

The DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS: They cannot get to the sea with their material unless they go over this piece of land of ours. This track will form a portion of the road of which the Dock Company's road will be a continuation.

Approved.

WATER WORKS.
\$10,000, on account of Public Works, Extraordinary, Hongkong, Water Works, Reconstruction of unfiltered water main from Albany to Elliot Filter Beds.

The CHAIRMAN: This is required to lay an 18-inch main to convey an additional supply of water from Albany to Elliot Filter Beds. The balance of \$30,000 is provided in the estimates next year.

Approved.

GRATUITY TO INVENTOR.

\$250, on account of Miscellaneous Services, Gratuity to Mr. S. G. Gourd in respect of the use by the Colonial Government of his invention of improvements relating to Ships' Moorings.

The CHAIRMAN: This question has been before the Committee before. In return for this the Colony will receive the full benefit of Mr. Gourd's invention in regard to harbour moorings.

Approved.

LAUNCH HIRE BY PRISON DEPARTMENT.

\$2,000, in aid of the vote Prison Department, Other Charges, Incidental Expenses.

The CHAIRMAN: The launch B.G.I. was sold as she was useless. The sum of \$2,000 is for the hire of the steam launch P.D.I. costing \$400 a month, and being used by the Prison Department.

Approved.

PUBLIC WORKS IN NEW TERRITORIES.

\$3,000, in aid of the vote Public Works, Recurrent, New Territories, Buildings, (37) Maintenance of Buildings.

The CHAIRMAN: The vote is \$15,000. The reasons for requiring a further \$3,000 are the high percentage of the contract rate above schedule rates and the abnormal amount of repairs required in connection with the upkeep of Taiipo and Au Tau Police Stations.

Approved.

SANITARY DEPARTMENT LAUNCHES AND STORES.

\$6,500, in aid of the following votes:—
Sanitary Department, Other Charges:—
Launches, Steam Barges and Lighters: Repairs \$4,200.00
Stores 2,300.00

Total \$6,500.00

The CHAIRMAN: In connection with the first item: repairs to Sanitary Board steam launches and lighters, the Chairman reports that the shortage in this vote is due to the necessity for quarterly overhauling. Prior to the sinking of S.D. 1 in July, 1920, this was done only at intervals of six months. The cost of maintenance is larger owing to their length of service. The number of defects found is constantly increasing. In regard to the new boiler of S.D. 1 the increased cost of skilled labour contributed towards the deficiency. As regards stores, the shortage of the vote is due to the quarterly overhauling.

A RAILWAY VOTE.

\$475, on account of Kowloon-Canton Railway, Special Expenditure, Switch Board, Lighting, etc.

The CHAIRMAN: A telephone cable is being laid to Hunghom and the manager of the Railway recommends that the exchange at the locomotive shed be abolished and the store and quarters be connected direct with the exchange at Kowloon. He has gone into the cost and the proposal is a good one. \$300 is included for a larger switchboard. At the same time, he recommends the laying of underground cable to the standards in Kowloon Station yard. The wire is in a very bad condition. The cost of that is \$175, making up the estimate of \$475.

Approved.

P.W.D. TRANSPORT AND TRAVELLING EXPENSES.

\$3,500, in aid of the vote Public Works, Establishment, Other Charges, Transport and Travelling Expenses.

The CHAIRMAN: This sum is \$1,100 less than the average expenditure of the last three years. In addition to this, charges for motor cars, hitherto paid by various votes, are now being charged to this one vote and there is considerable departmental extension.

Approved.

A TYPEWRITER.

\$270, in aid of the vote Public Works, Establishment, Special Expenditure, Typewriter.

The CHAIRMAN: A typewriter was urgently required for the Land Survey Office.

Approved.

DRAWING MATERIALS.

\$3,500, in aid of the vote Public Works, Establishment, Other Charges, Drawing Materials and Mounting Plans.

The CHAIRMAN: This vote was \$2,500, but some print lines to the value of \$2,500 did not arrive in time to be paid for last year. There has been also an increase of staff in the Survey and Architectural Offices.

Approved.

NEW BUOYS.

\$1,430, in aid of the vote Harbour Department, A—Harbour, Other Charges, Purchase of buoys and Moorings.

The CHAIRMAN: This is required to complete the purchase of six new buoys and moorings. The estimate was \$90,000 but the entire cost is \$94,430; the buoys include two A class and four B class.

Approved.

HIGHER COSTS.

\$5,120, in aid of the following votes:—
Medical Department, Other Charges:—
Lunatic Asylum:—
Provisions, etc. \$1,500.00
Victoria Hospital:—
Fuel and Light 600.00
Provisions, etc. 1,000.00
Government Laboratory:—
Apparatus, etc. 2,000.00
Books and Journals 200.00

Total \$5,120.00

The CHAIRMAN: This is due, as to the Lunatic Asylum, to a large increase of patients and the high cost of provisions; Victoria Hospital: the increased cost of milk and extra installations of geyers. As the Government Laboratories the cost of apparatus was considerably more. The catalogues from which the estimates were made out were found to be out-of-date.

Approved.

RAILWAY BRIDGE AT SAMCHUN.

\$900, in aid of the vote Kowloon-Canton Railway, Special Expenditure, Bridge No. 37.

The CHAIRMAN: In connection with widening Bridge 37, near Shumchun, to facilitate shunting operations timbering was found necessary.

Approved.

NEW SITE FOR QUEEN'S COLLEGE.

\$100,000, in aid of the vote Public Works, Extraordinary, Hongkong, Public Health and Buildings, Ordinance, 1903, (36) Compensation and Resumptions.

The CHAIRMAN: This item is for the purchase of Inland Lot 353, Caroline Hill—the site of the future Queen's College.

Approved.

MAINTENANCE OF GARDENS AND GROUNDS.

\$300, in aid of the vote Botanical and Forestry Department, Other Charges, Maintenance of Gardens and Grounds.

The CHAIRMAN: The vote maintenance of gardens and grounds has been nearly exhausted. A supplementary vote of \$500 is required for the remaining two months of the year. It is partly due to the re-laying of the tennis court at the Government Quarters at Taiipo, \$250, also turf laying, and removing black soil and disintegrated granite at Government House.

Approved.

ELECTRIC FANS AND LIGHTS FOR G.S.O.

\$120, in aid of the vote Colonial Secretary's Department and Legislature, Other Charges, Electric Fans and Light.

The CHAIRMAN: This is for the Colonial Secretary's Department. The amount voted was found insufficient by the sum now asked for.

Approved.

MISCELLANEOUS WORKS IN NEW TERRITORIES.

\$9,000, in aid of the vote Public Works, Extraordinary, New Territories, Miscellaneous Works.

The CHAIRMAN: This vote has already been before members. The vote was \$14,000 and the real reason that made the expenditure \$20,000 was the fact that the Kowloon Harbour approach was built. Then there are red warning signs \$240, small works connected with the D.O. South \$220, fire alarms Laichikok \$250; motor garage, Taiipo (this is for the ambulance that has gone out to the New Territory) \$1,500; approach road Sanahui police station \$400; fans, warder's quarters, Laichikok \$700; removing and re-erecting boat house \$360. There is an allowance for contingencies and small unapproved items amounting to \$4,037. If hon. members wish that can be cut down and a further vote brought forward later.

The CHAIRMAN suggested a reduction by \$3,000 and this was agreed to.

TYPHOON AND RAINSTORM DAMAGE.

\$11,500, in aid of the following votes:—
Public Works, Recurrent:—
Kowloon, Miscellaneous:—
(24) Typhoon and Rainstorm Damages \$ 8,500
New Territories, Miscellaneous:—
(45) Typhoon and Rainstorm Damages 3,000

Total \$11,500

The CHAIRMAN: The vote is \$10,000 and the expenditure up to 29th July, which had already been before the Council, was \$7,980.65. Since then, the estimated cost of further damage incurred is \$18,500 or \$5,500 more than the estimate. On Public Works Recurrent, New Territories, the vote is \$15,000 and the expenditure to 29th July is \$7,572. The estimated cost of further damage is \$18,000.

Approved.

DEVELOPMENT IN NEW KOWLOON.

\$50,000, in aid of the vote Public Works, Extraordinary, New Territories, Communications, Roads, General Works.

The CHAIRMAN: This sum of \$50,000 is arrived at as follows: The Department of Public Works forwarded for approval an additional programme of road work amounting to \$30,000. The estimate of expenditure under the programme now submitted is \$33,700—kerbing, and channeling numbers of streets in New Kowloon, mostly Kowloon City and some in Shamshui; also scavenging lanes and slab pavings to footways make up a total of \$70,000. A supplemental vote of \$50,000 is required. The whole of this is covered by the rapid development of Shamshui and a portion of Kowloon City Reclamation.

The Hon. Mr. BIRD: Is that work done by contract or measured up and paid for by schedule rate?

The DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS: By schedule rate. The slabs are supplied from our own quarries. The amount of expenditure is the very abnormal amount of paving. It is a vote that keeps up with the building.

The Hon. Mr. BIRD: I presume all the measuring is checked by Europeans?

The DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS: It is checked two ways; not only checked off the plans but gone over by European overseers.

Approved.

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The chauffeur charged with wounding people employed at the Dragon Garage, Nathan Road, Kowloon, on a recent Sunday evening, was discharged by Mr. Orme yesterday morning. The Magistrate told the man that he believed the witnesses' story of the occurrence but was not convinced that they were right in identifying him (the defendant) as one of the assailants. He would, therefore, be discharged but if he had had any part in the affair he had better take warning by these proceedings and behave better in future. Mr. H. O. Macnamara was instructed for the defence.

CABLES.

LATEST CABLES.
[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]GERMANY & SILESIA.
GERMANY SUBMITS TO FORCE
MAJEURE.

BERLIN, October 26th.

Addressing the Reichstag, in a subdued speech with a substratum of bitterness, Dr. Wirth characterised the handing over of the Silesian Question to the League of Nations as a breach of the Peace Treaty, which was also violated by the new frontier line itself. Nevertheless, Germany had decided to appoint a delegate to conduct the German-Polish economic negotiation in preference to exposing themselves to coercive measures which would seriously compromise the whole Fatherland.

MOURNING OVER SILESIA.

When the Reichstag reassembled the flag were at half-mast as a sign of mourning over the Upper Silesian decision.

WIRTH AGREES.

BERLIN, October 26th.

Dr. Wirth has agreed to form a new Government.—Havas.

FRENCH ARMY.

BIG SAVING IN EXPENDITURE
NEXT YEAR.

PARIS, October 26th.

The Government proposes reducing, by over six millions sterling, army expenditure next year.—Havas.

COST OF LIVING.

FRENCH GOVERNMENT'S EFFORTS
BEAR FRUIT.

PARIS, October 26th.

The Government's efforts to reduce the cost of living are bearing fruit. A substantial abatement in the price of wheat flour is announced.—Havas.

WASHINGTON CONFERENCE
M. GARNIER TO ACCOMPANY M.
SARRAUD.

PARIS, October 26th.

M. Garnier, former resident-general of French Indo-China is to accompany to the Washington Conference M. Sarraud, Minister for the Colonies, who has just returned from an extensive tour of the French West African colonies.—Havas.

EARLIER CABLES.

COMPOSITION OF THE BRITISH
DELEGATION

LONDON, October 26th.

In the House of Commons at question time Mr. Chamberlain stated that the staff of the British delegation to the Washington Conference will be composed of 25 officials, naval, military, and air officers, 47 secretaries and typists, and 21 attendants, messengers, and a night watchman. It was impossible at present to estimate the cost, but the delegation is of the minimum number required in view of the great importance and interest involved to the British Empire.

CHINA'S ASPIRATIONS.

LONDON, October 26th.

Interviewed prior to his departure for Washington, Dr. Wellington Koo declared that limitation of armaments depended almost entirely upon the recognition of conflicting policies in the Far East. China would naturally make certain claims for fair recognition of her rights and requirements for her future, but she was primarily interested in the promotion of peace in the Pacific and the whole of the Far East. In seeking co-operation and recognition of her rights she would always keep in view the paramount needs of peace and do everything possible to contribute to the attainment of this. China was entering the Conference with hopes, but also with a due realisation of difficulties. The Chinese delegates would spare no effort in helping with the utmost goodwill to contribute to the success of the Conference through frank discussion and straightforward handling of all problems.

DELEGATES START FOR
WASHINGTON.

LONDON, October 26th.

Lord Lee and his staff, Mr. Sastri (the Indian delegate), Dr. Wellington Koo and Japanese military experts have left London en route to the Washington Conference.

FRANCE WILL REQUIRE A
QUID PRO QUO.

PARIS, October 26th.

In the Chamber of Deputies, M. Briand, asking for a vote of confidence enabling him to proceed to the Washington Conference, said that France was quite willing to lighten her military burden, but he assured the Chamber that nothing would be abandoned without France receiving a counterpoise. He declared that he would not go to Washington unless he was able to obtain a good majority. The vote of confidence was passed by 391 votes to 180.

LATEST CABLES.

SAVING MILLIONS.

REORGANISING MUNICIPAL AD-
MINISTRATION IN FRANCE.

PARIS, October 26th.

A thorough reorganization of provincial municipal administration, in their most obsolete parts, is contemplated, entailing the abolition of a number of officials and the saving of many millions to the national exchequer.—Havas.

EARLIER CABLES.

THE PRINCE'S EASTERN
TOUR.

ENTHUSIASTIC SEND-OFF.

LONDON, October 26th.

The Prince of Wales left Victoria Station at noon to start his tour to India. Their Majesties, the King and Queen, the Duke of Connaught, and other members of the Royal Family and all the members of the Cabinet bade his Royal Highness farewell.

Before entering the train, the Prince conversed with Mr. Lloyd George. There was great public enthusiasm when the train left, the Prince waving farewell from the window. The Duke of York and Prince Henry accompanied H.R.H. to Portsmouth.

EMBARKATION AT PORTSMOUTH.

LATER.

In contrast to the fog in London, the sun was shining at Portsmouth when the Prince went on board the *Kenyon*. His Royal Highness received a salute of twenty-one guns from the *Victory*. There was no speech-making. The *Kenyon* sailed at 1 o'clock in the afternoon. The Prince, who was on deck, acknowledged the cheers of the crowds ashore. The cruiser *Dunedin* joined the *Kenyon* at Spithead.

"RUBBER PARLIAMENT"
CONTEMPLATED.SCHEME OF RUBBER SHARE
HOLDERS' ASSOCIATION.

LONDON, October 26th.

At a meeting under the auspices of the Rubber Shareholders' Association held in London, Mr. van Zorn, the Chairman, explained the Association's scheme to remedy the difficulties of the rubber market, including the formation of a rubber manufacturing company owned and controlled by planters, the establishment of two propaganda funds, restriction of output, pledging planting companies against forward sales at prevailing low prices, and formation of a rubber parliament consisting of delegates representing all interests.

Mr. van Zorn said that a capital of \$500,000 was suggested for the rubber manufacturing company. This could be provided without difficulty by the existing rubber companies. A resolution approving the policy was adopted, also a resolution requesting the Colonial Office to appoint delegates from the Association to the new Government Committee on the rubber question.

GERMANY'S PAYMENTS.

OFFICIAL FIGURES.

LONDON, October 26th.

The total of the reparations received from Germany to September 26th is officially estimated at \$700,000,000. Receipts under the German Reparation Recovery Act to October 22nd amount to \$1,330,000. A sum of \$28,000,000 was advanced to Germany for the provision of food, etc., under the Spa Coal Deliveries Act. The cost of the Armies of Occupation is \$144,000,000, excluding \$27,000,000 for the American Army of Occupation.

CO-OPERATIVE BANK'S
SUSPENSION.

REASSURING NEWS.

LONDON, October 26th.

The management of the National Co-operative Bank, which is not connected with the banking department of the Co-operative Wholesale Society, announces that there is an ample margin after fully paying holders of current and deposit accounts. Nearly all the bonds providing the bank's capital are held by one wealthy man, who, financially, is of the soundest, but is at present ill in a nursing-home.

FUTURE OF THE NEGRO.

PRESIDENT HARDING ON WORLD
PROBLEM.

BIRMINGHAM (Ala.), October 26th.

President Harding, in a speech, advocated the right of the American negro to broader political and educational advantages based on race pride, but never on negro aspirations to social equality. The world-war had resulted in the race question becoming not sectional, but national. Owing to the sudden migration of the blacks northward and westward, the whole world was confronted with the colour question.

TROPICAL STORM IN
FLORIDA.

EXTENSIVE DAMAGE.

JACKSONVILLE (Fla.), October 26th.

A severe tropical storm swept the State of Florida from Key West northwards. Considerable damage was done at Tampa. Portions of the city were flooded, lights extinguished, telegraph and telephone wires blown down, and many small houses destroyed. The citrus crop was seriously damaged in various places.

GERMAN CABINET
RECONSTRUCTED.
THREE CHANGES.

BERLIN, October 26th.

The reconstructed Wirth Cabinet shows that Dr. Rathenau (Minister of Reconstruction), Dr. Rosen (Minister for Foreign Affairs), and Herr Schiffer (Minister of Justice) have been omitted. Dr. Wirth is combining the Chancellorship and the Ministry of Foreign Affairs; and Herr Radbruch has replaced Herr Schiffer; but a successor to Dr. Rathenau has not yet been appointed.

NON-CO-OPERATORS' TRIAL.

AMENDED CHARGE.

KARACHI, October 26th.

The trial has opened of the Ali brothers and the five others mentioned in a message of the 2nd inst. The prosecutor requested that the charge be amended to the effect that the accused were engaged in a criminal conspiracy to seduce Muslim soldiers.

DUTCH PILOT SHIP MISSING.

THE HAGUE, October 26th.

The Ministry of Marine reports that a pilot ship with a crew of ten, which was cruising at the mouth of the Ems, has been missing since a recent gale. A police boat and a destroyer, assisted by seaplanes, are searching for the ship.

ALLIES DEBTS TO THE U.S.

FUNDING COMMISSION APPROVED.

WASHINGTON, October 26th.

The House of Representatives passed by 199 votes to 117 the Bill for the creation of a Commission, headed by the Secretary to the Treasury, to fund the foreign war debts to the United States.

HUNGARIAN IMEROGLIO.

KARL'S FORMAL ABDICATION
DEMANDED.

BUDAPEST, October 26th.

The Government has demanded that Karl formally abdicate and surrender to the British authorities.

CAMBRIDGESHIRE RESULT.

OUTSIDER WINS.

LONDON, October 26th.

The Cambridgeshire resulted as follows:—1, Milenko (100-7); 2, Leighton (69-1); 3, Franklin (50-1). A short head divided first and second, the third being half-a-length behind. Twenty-four ran.

FAR EASTERN CABLE
NEWS.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

THE KIDNAPPED MISSIONARY.

QUESTION IN THE COMMONS.

LONDON, October 26th.

In the House of Commons, Mr. Stewart asked a question in regard to the carrying off of the Rev. Mr. Parker by Chinese brigands.

Mr. Harmsworth replied that the Foreign Office had received no reports from China concerning the matter, but were enquiring by cable.

[Mr. Parker has now been released.]

P. & O. LIGHTER ROPE.

CASE COMPLETED AT LAST.

Chan Hing, yesterday morning, bowed to the inevitable. The Finger Print Bureau had identified his finger prints with those of Pun Chat and Leung Pat, but the mysterious individual in the dock the previous morning, who answered to the name of Chan Hing and was known to his solicitor as Leung Pat, denied that he was the same man who was charged some months ago with being concerned in stealing a rope from a P. & O. lighter.

However, Mr. G. R. Haywood announced, yesterday, that the man now admitted his identity but denied having stolen the rope. He had got scared and so "umped his bail."

The Magistrate intimated that the evidence already called when the case was first investigated, had convinced him that the defendant had the leading part in the affair and sentenced the defendant to three months' imprisonment.

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HONGKONG LEGISLATIVE
COUNCIL.

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A MOTOR TRUCK FOR OPIUM CONVEYANCE.

\$2,143, on account of Imports and Exports Department, Special Expenditure, One Motor Truck.

The CHAIRMAN: This is required by the Imports and Exports Department to convey opium from the factory to the office. The chassis cost \$1,700 and the body was built by the Railway Department. It saves time, and the use of a launch.

Approved.

ARTIFICIAL LEGS.

\$700, on account of Kowloon-Canton Railway, Special Expenditure, Artificial Legs.

The CHAIRMAN: The \$700 was for obtaining the very best artificial legs that can be got. If a man lost both his legs on the railway, the legs he got were very unsatisfactory and gave him a lot of pain. We decided to get the best; I believe they are entirely satisfactory; very light and very strong.

Approved.

A HULK AT DEEP BAY.

\$10,000, on account of Police and Fire Brigade, A—Police, Special Expenditure, One Hulk.

The CHAIRMAN: This matter has been considered by the Finance Committee. It is for the establishment of a hulk at Deep Bay instead of a land police station.

Approved.

A PATROL PATH IN THE NEW TERRITORIES.

\$3,000, on account of Public Works, Extraordinary, New Territories, Communications, Patrol Path—Sheung Shui to Ta Ku Ling.

The CHAIRMAN: This path was in the estimates for 1919 and again in 1920 but difficulties occurred as to an actual site. Since we decided to make it on a new frontier road the sum has now been provided. It is a 3 ft. path.

Approved.

MISCELLANEOUS PUBLIC WORKS.

\$10,000, in aid of the vote Public Works, Extraordinary, Miscellaneous, (35) Miscellaneous Works.

The CHAIRMAN: I circulated this vote to the Finance Committee. The proposal is to take a vote of \$10,000 to cover all the expenditure of a number of small sums for miscellaneous works up to the end of the year. By the time the proposal was circulated, the vote was exceeded by nearly \$1,000. Since then one of the members of the Committee expressed the view that they would like to know what all the items were. Up to now the items amount to \$1,833; they include: converting a latrine at the Harbour Office, a safe and stand for the D.P.W. office in which to keep valuable documents, ceiling fans at warder's mess-room, Victoria Road, alterations at the Armoury for the security of the arms. If members would like to reduce this vote, it could be cut down to \$5,000 and I could circulate votes required from time to time.

The Hon. Mr. HOLYOAKE: How much will the unused balance be?

The CHAIRMAN: Just over \$7,000. Cut it down to \$5,000; that may cover every thing.

The vote was reduced to \$5,000 and approved.

HARBOUR IMPROVEMENTS.

\$2,500, on account of Public Works, Extraordinary, Harbour Improvements.

The CHAIRMAN: This is required in connection with the investigation now being made with a view to the report of Sir Maurice Fitzmaurice. The engineers were engaged on taking soundings and doing other work in the harbour requiring the following:—Rowing boat, sounding wire, anchor, rod, tide gauges, buoys, pricking gear, hire of sampans and men and hiring a small junk. \$250 is required to cover further items. The total only amounts to under \$1,000 but various things arise in connection with this work and we do not want to delay it at all.

Approved.

COMMUNICATIONS NEEDED BY NEW BUILDING.

\$12,700, in aid of the vote Public Works, Extraordinary, Hongkong, Communications, (18) Roads: (9) General Works.

The CHAIRMAN: This is required in connection with the new buildings, completed or nearing completion. The position of the vote is: \$60,000 has been provided in the estimates and the programme submitted and approved amounts to that. Now a second programme of work is required in connection with new building, relating to keeling, cement concrete walls, slab paving, etc., \$13,700.

The Hon. Mr. HOLYOAKE: Time of the Finance Committee would be saved if a great many of these were circulated beforehand.

The CHAIRMAN: I was afraid I was circulating so many things to the Finance Committee. I will have everything over a certain amount circulated.

The vote was approved.

THE QUARRY WORKSHOP.

\$6,000, on account of Public Works, Extraordinary, Hongkong, Miscellaneous, Additional paving sheds, and extension of concrete pile moulding platform at Quarry Workshop.

The CHAIRMAN: This is in connection with the Quarry at Teat-sui-mui. There is a tremendous lot of work going on there. If members were to pay a visit there they would be very interested to see the work going on.

Approved.

RE-BUILDING PRISON SHEDS AT LAI-CHI-KOK.

\$6,000, on account of Public Works, Extraordinary, Kowloon, Buildings, Re-building of certain prison sheds at Lai-Chi-Kok.

Approved.

MAGISTRATES' BUSY DAY.
LONG MORNING AT THE
MAGISTRACY.

Mr. G. N. Orme held an unusually crowded, if not exactly a brilliant reception in his Court at the Magistracy, yesterday morning. At ten o'clock, there were 400 people in the Court, at the lowest estimate, and not all the solicitors in attendance could find seats. In the first 15 minutes about 10 cases were mentioned, adjourned or dealt with, and the Magistrate booked up all available dates for about a fortnight ahead.

Amongst other cases completed was that of the amah in Wanchai charged with receiving a diamond ring. Inspector Blackman told the Court that the amah who had sworn that she took the ring on the instructions of her story and denied every word of it. (The amah had already been discharged on account of her extreme youth). The fact still remained, remarked Inspector Blackman, that the amah, who had only just obtained her present employment, had drawn no wages yet and was glad to pawn her jacket, a few days ago for 80 cents, yet had \$65 in her possession when arrested.

In the absence of further evidence the Magistrate discharged the amah.

In another case, in which an old and hollow-cheeked casual painter was charged with some trifling theft, the Magistrate, on learning that the man had previously been employed at the police station in his village, suggested to Inspector Brown that he should be found a job there in keeping the place clean. He probably would not want very much pay. Inspector Brown did not exactly jump at the suggestion. "Well," said the Magistrate, "I will impose a light sentence on condition that he goes back to his village. Try and get a better name before you die," his Worship urged the defendant.

An ex-police man, who was also an ex-forest guard and an ex-workman, being now unemployed, was sent to prison for six weeks for unlawful possession, in a sampan, of some bars of steel, a bill of lading and some dyes. He gave no account of them and anybody who has missed any such property should get in touch with the police.

"As a quarter-to-one o'clock, Mr. Orme held an inquest."

SPORT.

CRICKET.

The Kowloon British School played the Indian School on Wednesday on the Kowloon C.C. ground and lost by 85 runs. Scores:—

KOWLOON SCHOOL.				
J. Leete, b. Kitchell	10			
D. Stevens, c. Kitchell, b. Arculli	4			
F. Nichols, c. Abbas, b. Arculli	2			
W. Jenner, b. Arculli	5			
G. G. Edwards, c. Mohamed, b. Arculli	0			
J. Pearce, c. Abbas, b. Kitchell	19			
D. Ogilvie, c. b. Kitchell	1			
L. Wall, c. Hassan, b. Arculli	1			
J. Collett, b. Arculli	1			
W. Pitt, not out	1			
G. Bond, c. Mohamed, b. Kitchell	1			
Extras	7			
Total	50			

Bowling Analysis.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
F. M. el Arculli	13	3	28	6
M. P. Madar	4	1	6	0
N. B. Kitchell	8.5	4	9	4

INDIAN SCHOOL.

A. L. Ramjahn, c. Pearce, b. Stevens	5			
D. Mohamed, b. Edwards	35			
Moham Singh, c. Nichols, b. Jenner	0			
N. B. Kitchell, retired	43			
F. M. el Arculli, c. Stevens, b. Pearce	35			
M. P. Madar, retired	1			
M. Hassan, c. Stevens	2			
W. A. Abbas, c. b. Nichols	8			
S. R. Buz, c. Pearce, b. Stevens	1			
N. Ali, not out	1			
A. Rahim, b. Stevens	1			
Extras	1			
Total	135			

Bowling Analysis.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
D. Stevens	11	0	53	4
F. Nichols	5	1	19	1
W. Jenner	6	2	20	1
G. G. Edwards	3	0	28	1
J. Collett	3	0	8	0
J. Pearce	2	0	6	1

HONGKONG C.C. v. KOWLOON C.C.

The following will play for Hongkong at Kowloon to-morrow, starting at 2.15:—T. E. Pearce (capt.), E. J. B. Mitchell, Brig. Gen. McNaughten, E. B. A. Webster, T. H. Earthing, E. W. Hamilton, J. B. Raworth, E. G. G. Lammert, M. Watson, E. H. Benson and E. N. Young.

HONGKONG C.C. 2nd XI. v. KOWLOON C.C. 2nd XI.

In this match to-morrow on the Hongkong Club ground, starting at 2.15 p.m., the home team will be composed of L. D. McNeill (capt.), H. H. Day, G. M. W. Dorkins, A. S. Exell, W. Frazer, F. C. Miller, D. Reid, M. D. C. Sandberg, G. W. Sewell, Dr. Valentine and J. R. Way.

FOOTBALL.

UNIVERSITY v. THE CLUB.

The following have been chosen to represent the University against the Club at 3 p.m. to-morrow, on the Club ground:—Y. K. Wong, A. M. Seng, D. (capt.) and B. C. Lee, J. G. G. D. Laing and S. S. Teh, N. M. Lim, D. K. Samy, H. C. Ting, K. C. Chish and T. L. Chish. Reserve: F. H. Lim.

A PRISONER'S LIVER.

PICKPOCKET DIES DURING
SENTENCE.

Mr. G. N. Orme, sitting as Coroner, held an inquest, yesterday, on Kwong Tai, a prisoner in Victoria Gaol, who died at the Government Civil Hospital. The following were chosen by ballot as a jury:—Messrs. L. S. Rapley, J. F. de Souza and L. G. Remedios.

James M. McLeod, chief warden of Victoria Gaol, said that the deceased, Kwong Tai, was admitted on August 2nd to undergo a sentence of six months' hard labour for stealing from the person.

Dr. D. J. Valentine said that the deceased was apparently in good health on admission to gaol. On October 11th he returned from Laichikok suffering from fever and vague abdominal pain. He was treated in the gaol hospital until the 17th when his condition became acute and acute inflammation of the liver was diagnosed. He was removed to the Government Civil Hospital.

Dr. C. W. McKenny said that the deceased was admitted to the Government Civil Hospital on October 17th and was operated upon for inflammation of the liver and gall bladder. On October 25th another operation was necessary but the deceased did not recover. A post mortem examination showed that the cause of death was choleaemia following chronic cholangitis and cholecystitis.

The Coroner: Those are long words; can you tell us something of the nature of the complaint?

Dr. McKenny: It simply means that his liver as a whole was in such a bad condition that the bowel could not work. He must have had liver trouble for some considerable time.

The jury returned a verdict of "death from natural causes."

MANCHESTER AND CHINA
TRADE.PROPOSALS UNDER
CONSIDERATION.

A Home paper by yesterday's mail says:—

"The China Section Executive of the Manchester Chamber of Commerce is considering the proposed terms of contract for the China piece goods trade which have been drafted as the result of discussion between the dealers and the British Chambers of Commerce in China. The Chamber in Shanghai recently submitted the terms to the Manchester Chamber (and also to Bradford), and a letter was immediately sent promising sympathetic consideration of the proposal."

A little delay has been inevitable owing to the holiday season and the absence of the heads of firms chiefly concerned. Progress is now being made, and the China Executive is about to hold a meeting to consider the contract clauses one by one and to draft any amendments which may be thought desirable.

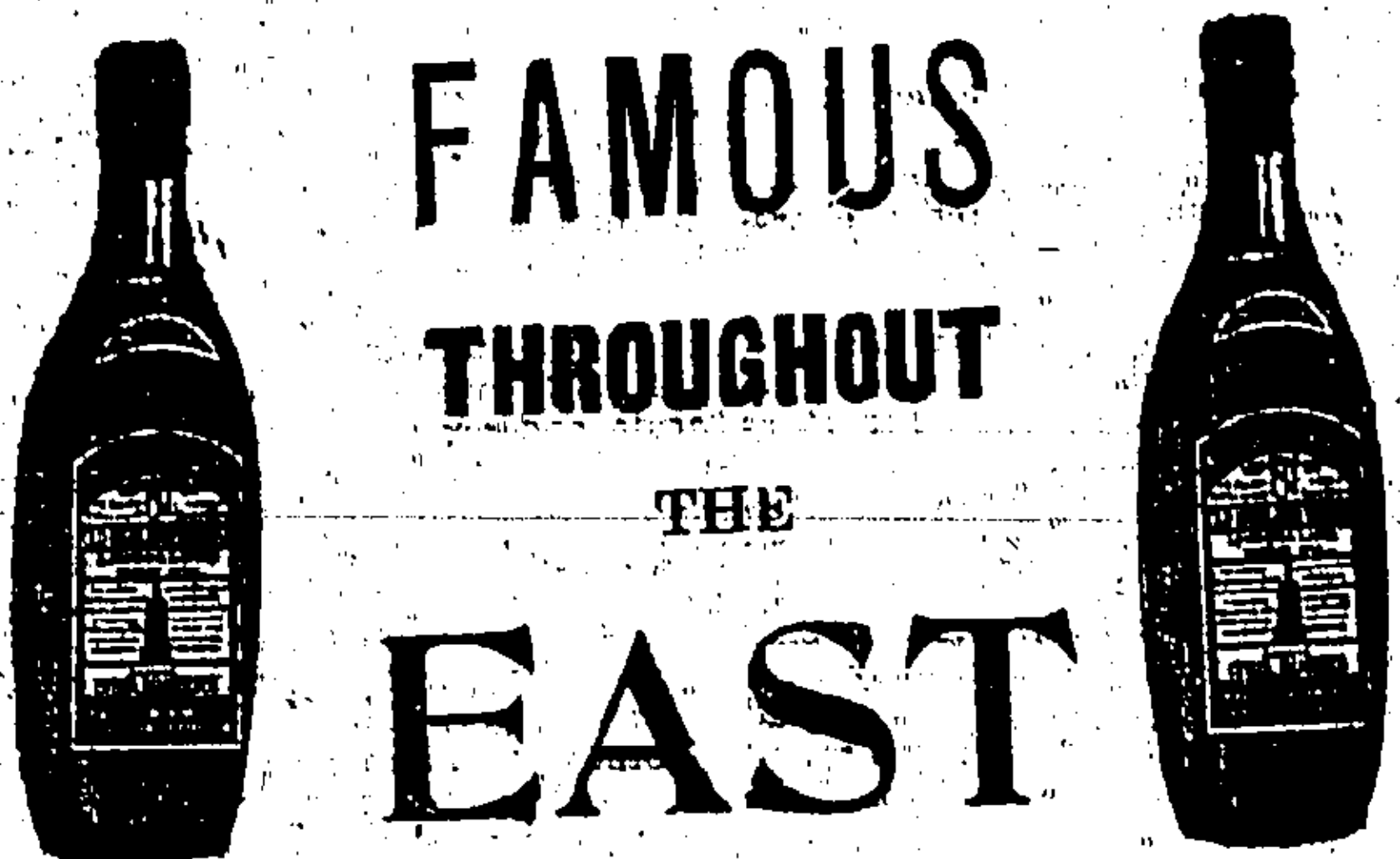
A report of the executive's views will then be circulated to all the members of the China Section, and they will be asked to attend a meeting to adopt definite expressions of Manchester opinion. The results of this meeting will be telegraphed to China, for there is some urgency in the matter from the point of view of dealers on the other side.

THE LATEST PEER-PRESSMAN.

The award of a Peerage to Sir Henry Dalziel crowns a singularly successful career. He has had some large slices of luck, but on the whole he may, in the old phrase, be described as the architect of his own fortunes. At the age of 16 he left Scotland for London, and made an early start in journalism. He first entered the House of Commons as a reporter, a member of the Gallery staff of the *Scottish Leader*. From that time onwards his life is a sort of Parliamentary romance. He first stood for Kirkcaldy at what is loosely called five minutes' notice. The Liberal leaders were anxious to head off a would-be candidate and Mr. Marjoribanks (known in later years as Lord Tweedmouth), was instructed to find a suitable candidate. Sir Henry was then a young Scots journalist, tall, slim, and good-looking, and had admission to the Lobby. He had recently come into prominence in connection with a Northern railway strike; could do his turn on a platform; was ready at hand; and was willing to undertake an adventure. Above all, no time must be lost, and the young Scot quickly came to an arrangement with the Whigs, caught the first train for the North, got himself adopted by the Radical Committee of the Kirkcaldy Burghs, and after a short sharp fight found that he had won an absolutely safe seat in Parliament. This first election took place in 1892, and he remained the member for Kirkcaldy for the long period of 29 years. When he entered the House he was one of its youngest members; when he retired last February he was one of its "fathers." Much success came to Sir Henry with the years. At first, a working journalist, he is now one of the most influential men in London newspaperdom. Many honours have fallen to him: he was knighted in 1908, made a Privy Councillor in 1912, and a Baronet in 1918.

STRANGE ARTIFICE OF
BOLSHEVIES.

The *Daily Mail's* special correspondent at Reval states that the Soviet Government which has organised musical theatrical troupes to give entertainments in Europe in aid of the famine-stricken Russians proposes to issue special postage stamps with the same object. Owing to the high cost of living the Soviet has raised the wages of workmen to 200,000 roubles per month, and of officials to 150,000 roubles. In order to obtain funds for the purpose the Soviet proposes to print 20,000,000 roubles—doubles—of 10, 20, 50, and 100 roubles; of 10,000, 20,000, and of 50,000.



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role it is to keep the republic from too
quick a fall, is a man who will do his
work without respect of person. Germany
in his hands is as safe from panic—as
secure from monarchist conspiracy—as
it is possible to predict.I have just returned from Berlin, where
I had all the opportunities of personal
contact for judging this bourgeois of
Baden-Karl Joseph Wirth—who has so
recently been thrust into the great office
once held by Prince Bismarck. He is
just a burly burgher with a practical
purpose, and that purpose is to save Ger-
many both from the Allies without and
from reactionaries within.He has had as yet little opportunity of
handling men, still less of creating great
policies—nor is he, as a matter of fact,
particularly interested in doing either.
But he is vitally interested in preserving
Germany, and to that end he will adopt
any policy that may be necessary, and
he will let the others handle the men.

LIKE PRESIDENT HARDING.

In many ways he is not unlike Presi-
dent Harding. Both are men of sim-
plicity, both are without personal pride
of opinion, and each is willing to allow
others to co-operate with them in grave
governmental affairs. Chancellor Wirth,
for instance, is a specialist in economics,
but even in his own subject he willingly
accepts direction from Herr Rathenau.This may seem at first sight to simply
that Dr. Wirth is weakling, a pliable
instrument in the hands of others. That
is a mistake. Wirth is a professor, it is
true, but he is also a practical man of
the world, who wants results and does not
care who gets the credit. Instead of
others using him, it is he who uses the
others for what he believes to be Ger-
many's benefit.He is as sincere a republican as any
man in Germany, where the republican
principle is still under trial, and he
means to give the trial a fair show. Fur-
thermore—and this is likely to be his pre-
sent impelling motive—Wirth firmly be-
lieves that Germany's interests at the
hands of the Allies would be jeopardised
if the republic developed fatal weaknesses
at this time and reactionary militarism
became dominant again.

A NATIONALIST.

Germany is now seeing the beginnings
of a disquieting rivalry in governmental
affairs between Prussia and Bavaria. To
Wirth's good fortune, however, he be-
longs to neither faction. He is a citizen
of Baden. Nobody in Germany can ac-
cuse him of trying to manipulate his
office for the benefit of either of the con-
flicting States. He is for the moment a
Nationalist—and there are few enough of
these in Germany where individualism
or sectionalism is rampant.But the chief point is that Wirth is
middle-class, and in great crisis it is the
middle class which decides. The middle
class in Germany wants to be let alone,
and not to be troubled for the time
being with politics. It desires technical
guidance in the way to financial recovery
—not political meltdowns. Wirth rep-
resents the embodiment of that spirit.
He not only understands, but is the be-
ginning and end of his own policy.What others call the details of policy
he regards simply as a method. Where
the method tends to eliminate politicians
and elevate technical experts, Wirth ap-
proves. A movement such as the assas-
sination of Erzberger has set going in
Germany is, to Wirth, merely an inter-
ference with the work of his technicians.
That is to say, it is a matter of politics;
and neither Wirth nor Germany wants
to be bothered at present with politics.
Afterwards, when the technicians have
set Germany going again—well, sufficient
unto the day.—Daily Express.**TSAR'S MURDERED FAMILY.**

LADY'S STRANGE CLAIM.

Several circumstantial accounts of the
death of the ex-Tsar of Russia, the
Tsaritsa, and all their children have
appeared in the past few years, but many
people will doubtless be fascinated by a
book just published in France under the
title "Survivants." For the authoress,
who calls herself Mademoiselle Marie
Berditche, declares that she is no other
than the Grand Duchess Anastasia
(youngest daughter of the Tsar) and the
sole survivor of the Russian Imperial
family. She states that when they were
butchered she was left for dead, and was
rescued by an old carpenter, who, find-
ing her still alive, though badly wounded,
picked her up in his arms at the moment
when the drunken Bolsheviks carried
away the bodies of her relatives to cremate
them. She says he took her to his hut
and nursed her back to health, and after-
wards accompanied her on a journey
through Siberia to Vladivostok, whence
Japan and the United States were
reached. She claims to have had inter-
views with the ex-Kaiser and with Mr.
Wilson, former President of the United
States. Those who find themselves dis-
posed to credit the story of "Marie Ber-
ditche" may argue that if she were an
adventuress she would have claimed the
securities said to have been lodged by the
ex-Tsar in London and other capitals,
whereas she says she considers it was her
duty to clear the memory of her parents
from odious calumnies, and that having
done so she wishes to retire into obscurity
and peace, and will demand nothing for
herself. In a review of the book which
appears to-day it is stated that official
Bolshevik documents in existence record
that the body of one of the victims dis-
appeared after the murders were com-
mitted.—Daily Telegraph.It is with enduring patience and un-
abating faith that we must hold to our
determination to create a happier earth.
—The King.**WEATHER REPORT.**October 27th, at 11.57.—Pressure has
decreased considerably over N.E. Japan, the
northern anticyclone having passed into the
Pacific. Changes are small at other re-
porting stations.The anticyclone over China has strong-
ly advanced slightly.The depression has moved to the north of
the Boni s.Fresh monsoon may be expected along the
S.E. coast of China, and over the China Sea.Hongkong rainfall for the 24 hours
ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.00 inch. Total
since January 1st, 96.90 inches, against an
average of 80.80 inches.The forecast for the 24 hours ending at
noon to-day is as follows:—District Forecast:
Hongkong to Gap Rock { N.E. winds,
moderate to
fresh; fine.
Formosa Channel { N.E. winds,
strong.South coast of China between { The same as
Hongkong and Lamooes { No. 1.
South coast of China between { The same as
Hongkong and Hainan { No. 1.**CHINA COAST METEOROLOGICAL
REGISTER.**

OCTOBER 27TH, 1921.

Station.	Hour	Barometer at Sea Level.	Temperature	Humidity	Wind		Weather.
					Direction.	Force.	
Vladivostok	8 a.m.	30.10	48	—	ENE	3	o
Nemuro	8 a.m.	30.28	—	—	ENE	1	—
Harodate	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Tokio	—	30.6	—	—	NW	1	—
Kochi	—	30.00	—	—	SW	1	—
Nagasaki	—	30.08	—	—	NW	1	—
Kagoshima	—	30.04	—	—	NW	1	—
Oshima	—	30.04	—	—	NNW	4	—
Naha	—	30.06	—	—	ENE	1	—
Ishigakijima	—	30.04	—	—	NW	1	—
Bonin Island	—	29.88	—	—	SW	1	—
Weihaiwei	6 a.m.	30.21	52	79	NW	4	b
Hankow	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Johang	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Changsha	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Shanghai	—	30.29	48	94	NW	1	b
Wusung	—	30.27	58	47	NE	4	b
Sharp Peak	7 a.m.	30.15	67	78	N	2	o
Amoy	8 a.m.	30.1	68	84	NW	2	o
Taihou	—	30.1	63	89	N	1	b
Taihu	—	30.02	63	88	N	1	b
Tainan	—	30.01	63	88	NE	2	b
Koshun	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Pescadores	—	30.02	72	—	NE	7	b
Canton	—	30.13	67	N	2	b	
Hongkong	—	30.08	69	86	NW	2	b
Gap Rock	—	30.06	—	—	ENE	4	c
Macao	—	3.07	68	84	N	4	b
Wuchow	8 a.m.	30.19	69	85	NW	2	o
Fakhoi	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Phulow	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Tourane	7 a.m.	30.08	72	78	NW	4	o
Capet James	—	30.00	72	—	N	4	o
Appari	8 a.m.	29.91	79	98	N	2	o
Dagupan	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Manila	—	29.98	72	94	ENE	1	b
Legaspi	—	29.60	76	84	NE	2	o
Tacloban	—	29.81	73	82	NW	4	o
Iloilo	—	29.81	73	96	NNW	4	o
Surigao	—	29.81	73	96	SW	1	o
Guam	—	4.20	29.74	—	—	—	—
Yap	—	4.47	—	—	—	—	—
Labuan	6 a.m.	29.76	78	86	SW	4	o

1. BAROMETER, reduced to 32 degrees
Fahrenheit, on the level of the sea in inches
tenths and hundredths.2. TEMPERATURE, in the shade, in degree
Fahrenheit.3. HUMIDITY, in percentage of saturation, the
humidity of air saturated with moisture being
100.

4. DIRECTION OF WIND, to two points.

5. FORCE OF WIND, according to Beaufort
Scale.6. STATE OF WEATHER, h, blue sky, c, detached
cloud, d, drizzling rain, f, fog, g, gloomy, h, hail,
l, lightning, o, overcast, p, passing showers, q,
squall, r, rain, s, snow, t, thunder, v, visibility,
w, low wet.7. RAIN, in inches, tenths and hundredths.
T. F. CLAXTON, Director.**HONGKONG METEOROLOGICAL
REGISTER.**

Hongkong Observatory, October 27th.

	Previous Day at 3 p.m.	On Date at 6 a.m.	On Date at 3 p.m.
Barometer	30.04	30.08	30.04
Temperature	79	69	78
Humidity	52	69	68
Wind Direction	East	NNE	East
Force	1	2	4
Weather	—	b	o
Rain	—	0.24	0.00

Highest open-air Temperature on 26th ... 80

Lowest open-air Temperature 27th ... 69

HONGKONG TIDE TABLE.

From 28th Oct. to 3rd Nov., 1921.

		H'kong Standard Time.	Height	H'kong Standard Time.	Height
Day	Month		ft. in.		ft. in.
Fri.	28	7.34	6.8	1.6	2.4
Satur.	29	8.13	6.5	1.7	2.8
Sun.	30	8.14	7.0	2.2	3.7
Mon.	31	8.56	8.1	3.25	1.8
Tues.	1	9.17	7.6	3.10	2.3
Wed.	2	10.46	5.8	4.7	1.5
Thurs.	3	9.49	7.7	3.42	2.4
		11.37	5.5	4.50	1.4
		10.20	7.7	4.12	3.6
		0.38	5.1	5.35	1.8
		10.50	7.6	4.42	2.8

**INDO-CHINA
STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.**SAILINGS, SUBJECT TO ALTERATION
MANILA ... "LOONGSANG" ... 28th Oct. 3 p.m.
SHANGHAI & TSINGTAI via SWATOW ... "WAISHING" ... 28th Oct. 5 a.m.
HAIPHONG via SWATOW ... "FOOSHING" ... Tues. 1st Nov. D'light.
SANDAKAN via HOIHOW ... "LOKSANG" ... Tues. 1st Nov. 10 a.m.
SANDAKAN ... "HINSANG" ... Thurs. 3rd Nov. Noon
STRAITS & CALGUTTA ... "FOOKSANG" ... Thurs. 3rd Nov. 3 p.m.
KORE via SHANGHAI & MOJI ... "KUMSANG" ... Wed. 8th Nov. D'light
SHANGHAI via SWATOW ... "CHOXSANG" ... Thurs. 3rd Nov. D'lightCALCUTTA LINE.—This Line affords regular sailings to Calcutta, Penang and
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"NYANZA"	7,000	26th Nov.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
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"DUNERA"	5,200	20th Dec.	Singapore, Colombo & Bombay
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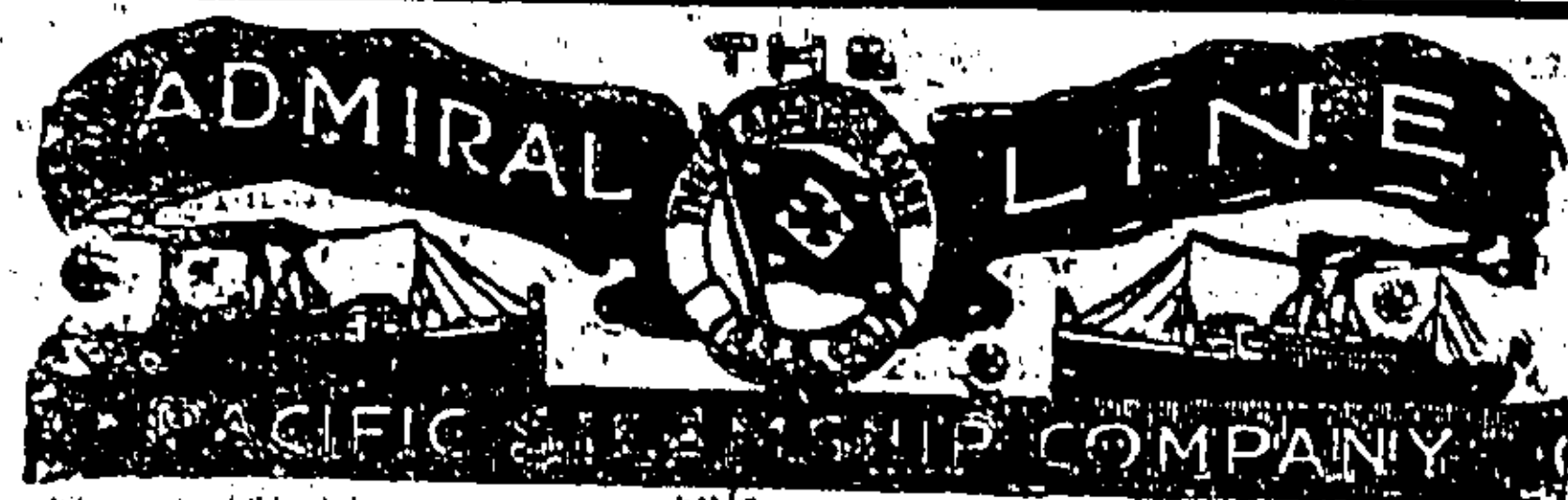
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SHANGHAI & TSINGTAO	"SEANTUNG"	On 29th Oct.	4 P.M.
BOIHOW, FAKHOI & H'PHONG	"KAIKONG"	On 30th Oct.	10 A.M.
SWATOW & SINGAPORE	"CHINCHUA"	On 30th Oct.	10 A.M.
SWATOW, CHENGKOO & TIENTSIN	"HUICHOW"	On 30th Oct.	10 A.M.
SWATOW & BANGKOK	"KWACHOW"	On 1st Nov.	10 A.M.
SWATOW & SHANGHAI	"SUIYANG"	On 1st Nov.	Noon
SHANGHAI	"BUNNING"	On 3rd Nov.	Noon
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